

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### SPECIAL RECONNAISSANCE PROGRAM

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to receive a briefing on the Special Reconnaissance Program (SRP). The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D990)

H.R. 556, to ensure national security while promoting foreign investment and the creation and maintenance of jobs, to reform the process by which such investments are examined for any effect they may have on national security, to establish the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States. Signed on July 26, 2007. (Public Law 110-49)

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 31, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Admiral Michael G. Mullen, USN for reappointment to the grade of admiral and to be Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and General James E. Cartwright, USMC for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, with the possibility of a closed session in SR-222, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the state of the securities markets, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Ronald Spoehel, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, William G. Sutton, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, Thomas J. Barrett, of Alaska, to be Deputy Secretary, and Paul R. Brubaker, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Research and Innovative Technology Administration, both of the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold and oversight hearing to examine telemarketing practices relating to H.R. 2885, to amend the Credit Repair Organizations Act to clarify the applicability of certain provisions to credit monitoring services, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy, to hold an oversight hearing to examine renewable fuels infrastructure, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* business meeting to consider S. 742, to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to reduce the health risks posed by asbestos-containing products, S. 595, to amend the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of

1986 to strike a provision relating to modifications in reporting frequency, S. 1785, to amend the Clean Air Act to establish deadlines by which the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall issue a decision on whether to grant certain waivers of preemption under that Act, S. 775, to establish a National Commission on the Infrastructure of the United States, H.R. 50, to reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act and the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994, S. 1429, to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to reauthorize the provision of technical assistance to small public water systems, H.R. 465, to reauthorize the Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997, S. 1832, to reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act, the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994, and the Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997, S. 1498, to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to prohibit the import, export, transportation, sale, receipt, acquisition, or purchase in interstate or foreign commerce of any live animal of any prohibited wildlife species, and the nominations of R. Lyle Lavery, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, Department of the Interior, and Robert Boldrey, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* to continue hearings to examine carried interest (Part II), 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine nuclear energy and nonproliferation challenges, focusing on safeguarding the atom, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine the impact of the Leegin decision, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the propriety and adequacy of the Oxycontin criminal settlement, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense cooperation on the educational needs of returning service members, 9:30 p.m., SD-562.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

#### House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on Capitol Visitor Center, 9 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on Use of In Lieu of, Ad Hoc and Augmentee Forces in Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to continue hearings on A Third Way: Alternatives for Iraq's Future, (Part 4), 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* hearing on the Costs of Military Operations and Reconstruction in Iraq and Afghanistan, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 814, Children's Gasoline Burn Prevention Act; H.R. 1699, Danny Keysar Child Product Safety Notification Act; H.R. 1721, Pool and Spa Safety

Act; and H.R. 2474, To provide for an increased maximum civil penalty for violations under the Consumer Product Safety Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, to continue markup of H.R. 2895, National Affordable Housing. Trust Fund Act of 2007, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 1302, Global Poverty Act of 2007; H.R. 1567, Stop Tuberculosis (TB) Now Act of 2007; H.R. 2185, To amend the Tropical Forest Conservation Act of 1998 to provide debt relief to developing countries that take action to protect forests and coral reefs and associated coastal marine ecosystems, to reauthorize such Act through fiscal year 2010; H.R. 3096, Vietnam Human Rights Act of 2007; H.R. 3062, South Pacific Economic and Educational Development Act of 2007; H. Res. 32, Denouncing the practices of female genital mutilation, domestic violence, "honor" killings, acid burning, dowry deaths, and other gender-based persecutions and expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that participation, protection, recognition, and independence of women is crucial to achieving a just, moral, and honorable society; H. Res. 34, Recognizing the 75th birthday of Desmond Mpilo Tutu, South African Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town, and Nobel Peace Prize recipient; H. Res. 238, Commending the first democratic elections in Aceh, a province in Sumatra, Indonesia, and expressing support for the further democratic development and implementation of the Helsinki Memorandum of Understanding; H. Res. 508, Recognizing the strong security alliance between the Government of Japan and the United States and expressing appreciation to Japan for its role in enhancing stability in the Asia-Pacific region and its efforts in the Global war against terrorism; H. Res. 518, Recognizing the 50th anniversary of Malaysia's independence; H. Res. 548, Expressing the ongoing concern of the House of Representatives for Lebanon's democratic institutions and unwavering support for the administration of justice upon those responsible for the assassination of Lebanese public figures opposing Syrian control of Lebanon; H. Res. 557, Strongly condemning the United Nations Human Rights Council for ignoring severe human rights abuses in various countries, while choosing to unfairly target Israel by including it as the only country permanently placed on the Council's agenda; H. Res. 564, Recognizing that violence poses an increasingly serious threat to peace and stability in Central America and supporting expanded cooperation between the United States and the countries of Central America to combat crime and violence; H. Res. 575, Commending the people and the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan for their continued commitment to holding elections and broadening participation; and a resolution Recognizing the remarkable example of Sir Nicholas Winton who organized the rescue of 669 Jewish Czechoslovakian children from Nazi death camps prior to the outbreak of World War II, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights, and Oversight, hearing on the Case of Ramos and

Compean: the Across-Border Context, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Transportation Security and Infrastructure Protection, hearing entitled "Managing Risk and Increasing Efficiency: An Examination of the Implementation of the Registered Traveler Program," 1:30 p.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, hearing on Ensuring Artists Fair Compensation: Updating the Performance Right and Platform Parity for the 21st Century, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, oversight hearing on Crisis of Confidence: The Political Influence of the Bush Administration on Agency Science and Decision-Making, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, hearing on FEMA Preparedness in 2007 and Beyond, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Services, and the District of Columbia, hearings on Federal Compensation, Part I, Pay, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing to review the Coast Guard Administration Law System, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 674, To amend title 38, United States Code, to repeal the provision of law requiring termination of the Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans as of December 31, 2009; H.R. 1273, To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to restore plot allowance eligibility for veterans of any war and to restore the headstone or marker allowance for eligible persons; H.R. 1900, To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend eligibility for pension benefits under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to veterans who receive an expeditionary medal during a period of military service other than a period of war; H.R. 1901, To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend eligibility for pension benefits under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to veterans who served during certain periods of time in specified locations; H.R. 2346, To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a process for determining whether a geographic area is sufficiently served by the national cemeteries located in that geographic area; H.R. 2696, Veterans' Dignified Burial Assistance Act of 2007; and H.R. 2697, To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for veterans' mortgage life insurance to include members of the Armed Forces receiving specially adapted housing assistance from the Department of Veterans Affairs, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management, hearing on DNI 100 Day Plan, 10 a.m., 2203 Rayburn.